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FORMER STRIP CLUB OWNER RESENTENCED
FOR FILING FALSE FEDERAL INCOME TAX RETURN

Acting U.S. Attorney Stan Harris, and Michael J. DePalma, Special Agent in Charge of the Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation, New Orleans Field Office, announced that **JON DALE ADAMS** of Jackson, Mississippi, was resentenced today to 18 months in prison, followed by a term of 1 year of supervised release, and ordered to pay a \$5,000 fine for filing a false federal income tax return in 2000. **ADAMS** was ordered to report to the Federal Bureau of Prisons on July 7, 2009, to begin his term of imprisonment.

ADAMS was indicted by a federal grand jury on February 22, 2007. According to the indictment, the defendant was charged with filing false returns in violation of 26 U.S.C. §7206(1), whereby he failed to report substantial gross receipts from his business for calendar years 1999 and 2000. On June 29, 2007, a federal jury found **ADAMS** guilty of filing false tax returns for calendar years 1999 and 2000, in violation of 26 U.S.C. § 7206(1), pursuant to Counts 1 and 2 of the indictment. On November 9, 2007, **ADAMS** was originally sentenced to a term of 18 months prison, followed by a 1 year term of supervised release and ordered to pay a \$10,000 fine. Upon appeal, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit ordered a resentencing on Count 2. U.S. District Judge Daniel P. Jordan, III, of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi presided over the trial and imposed today's sentence.

Michael J. De Palma, Special Agent in Charge of Internal Revenue Service Criminal

Investigation, New Orleans Field Office, stated, "Taxes are essential to ensure the smooth and efficient operation of our government. The prosecution of individuals who intentionally conceal income and evade taxes is a vital element in maintaining public confidence in our tax system. We should not expect the honest taxpayer to foot the bill for those who hide income from the IRS. Special Agents of IRS Criminal Investigation will continue to work with the United States Attorney's Office to investigate and prosecute those individuals who believe themselves to be above the law."

Acting U.S. Attorney Harris commended the investigative efforts of the Special Agents and Revenue Agents of the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigations, in the Jackson office. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Mike Hurst.

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